CLAIMS

The subject matter claimed is:

1. A moldable bib device for providing protection from contact with a liquid spill and for channeling spilled liquid into a container, the bib device comprising a grid of flexible wire disposed on at least one layer of flexible, liquid-impervious material.

2. The bib device of claim 1 wherein the grid is disposed between two layers of flexible, liquid-impervious material.

3. The bib device of claim 1 wherein the wire grid is adhesively attached to the at least one layer of flexible, liquid-impervious material.

4. The bib device of claim 1 wherein the flexible, liquid-impervious material comprises waxed paper.

5. The bib device of claim 1 wherein the spilled liquid is a member selected from the group consisting of water, oil, transmission fluid, power steering fluid, brake fluid, antifreeze, and mixtures thereof.

6. The bib device of claim 1 wherein the bib device has a shape selected from the group consisting of square, rectangular, circular, oval, and triangular.

7. The bib device of claim 1 wherein the bib device is configured as a strip of sheets and each of said sheets is connected to each adjacent sheet at a line of perforations such that said sheets are separable from adjacent sheets by applying force along such line of perforations.

8. A moldable bib device for providing protection from contact with a liquid spill and for channeling spilled liquid into a container, the bib device comprising a grid of flexible wire disposed between two layers of flexible, liquid-impervious material.

9. The bib device of claim 8 wherein the wire grid is adhesively attached to the two layers of flexible, liquid-impervious material.

10. The bib device of claim 8 wherein the flexible, liquid-impervious material comprises waxed paper.

11. The bib device of claim 8 wherein the spilled liquid is a member selected from the group consisting of water, oil, transmission fluid, power steering fluid, brake fluid, antifreeze, and mixtures thereof.

12. The bib device of claim 8 wherein the bib device has a shape selected from the group consisting of square, rectangular, circular, oval, and triangular.

13. The bib device of claim 8 wherein the bib device is configured as a strip of sheets

and each of said sheets is connected to each adjacent sheet at a line of perforations such that said sheets are separable from adjacent sheets by applying force along such line of perforations.

14. A method for protecting a member from contact with a spilled liquid and for channeling the spilled liquid into a container comprising:

(a) providing a moldable bib device comprising a grid of flexible wire disposed on at least one layer of flexible, liquid-impervious material;

(b) placing the bib device over the member to be protected and molding the bib device into a shape configured for protecting the member from the spilled liquid and for channeling the spilled liquid into the container; and

(c) placing the container in a position for receiving the spilled liquid after being channeled by the bib device.

15. The method of claim 14 wherein the grid is disposed between two layers of flexible, liquid-impervious material.

16. The method of claim 14 wherein the grid is adhesively attached to the at least one layer of flexible, liquid-impervious material.

17. The method of claim 14 wherein the flexible, liquid-impervious material comprises waxed paper.

18. The method of claim 14 wherein the spilled liquid is a member selected from the group consisting of water, oil, transmission fluid, brake fluid, antifreeze, and mixtures thereof.

19. The method of claim 14 wherein the bib device has a shape selected from the group consisting of square, rectangular, circular, oval, and triangular.

20. The method of claim 14 wherein the bib device is configured as a strip of sheets and each of said sheets is connected to each adjacent sheet at a line of perforations such that said sheets are separable from adjacent sheets by applying force along such line of perforations.